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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
MAPPING DIMENSION-BASED
ACCOUNTING ENTRIES TO ALLOW
SEGMENT-BASED REPORTING

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Examiner: Chandler, Sara M.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of March 17, 2009, in which claims 1-21 were subject to a three-way Restriction Requirement that asserted that the claims were drawn to the following three separate inventions;

Group I: said to include claims 1-9 and said to be drawn to a method of mapping dimension based accounting data to allow segment based reporting;

Group II: said to include claims 10-13, drawn to a computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing steps to generate a segment-based report.

Group III: said to include claims 14-21, drawn to a method of preparing a dimension-based financial database so that it can be used in segment-based reporting.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-9, without traverse. Claims 10-21 are hereby withdrawn.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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